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VIRGINIA MULROONEY–*president of the AFT College Guild, appeals to the Board of Trustees regarding the zero percent salary increase .*
JEFFREY FIELDS, Valley Star

Zero increase

Teachers protest

By WENDY TABER
News Editor

Protesting against a "lack of serious negotions toward salary," approximately 200 faculty members of the Los Angeles Community College District, 60 of whom were Valley College teachers, gathered downtown yesterday at a Board of Trustees meeting to show their disapproval of the 0 percent salary increase the board has offered the American Federation of Teachers College Guild for the year 1982-83.

"To maintain last year's standard of living, or to stay alive, we require at least a 7.35 percent salary increase," said Virginia Mulrooney, president of the guild, addressing the board. "Such an increase we don't desire. We didn't ask for it but we agree to it. No one should be required to accept less. No one."

The 7.35 percent salary increase, according to the guild, is the standard cost-of-living increase due to inflation.

"Are we entitled to less than the community we serve?" asked Mulrooney.

The Collective Bargaining contract, which expired this year after serving the Board and Guild for three years, called for a re-opening of negotiations on wages of faculty members after its expiration. However, no negotiations have been reached yet.

According to Mulrooney, the guild presented their raised salary figures to the board in December of last year and the board responded negatively in February.

"And nothing is on the table six months later," said Mulrooney.

The district is blaming the 0 percent salary raise on the budget, which was slashed to a 1.9 million dollar deficit this year. (See related article). However, guild members are questioning whether the budget problems are legitimate.

"They say we are in tough times," said Mulrooney. "The San Francisco Community College District last week settled on a 5 percent raise on the salary, plus a $1500 bonus. I guess times aren't tough in San Francisco."

During a Valley College faculty meeting last Monday, Mulrooney stated that the board had a 62 million dollar surplus, but suddenly, during the past few months the budget changed to a $1.9 million deficit.

"We don't believe it," she said.

Also mentioned during the meeting, and recognized by a heavy applause, was that the guild is planning on calling in a budget expert to audit the district.

"Either we get more money or we divide what we have in an entirely different way," said Mulrooney, referring partly to the idea of eliminating unnecessary administrative jobs.

Also proposed during yesterday's meeting were ideas to reopen the retirement contracts and to set up a program dealing with retirement both with the teacher and the school.

We believe that these proposals will end the stalemate at the bargaining table," said Jim Hardesty, executive secretary of the guild.

Negotiations between the guild and the board will resume Monday afternoon.

Massive class cutbacks send applications down

By ROBERT WEAVER
Assoc. Entertainment Editor

Valley College applications dropped this semester, due in part to the cancellation of 130 classes, according to Dean of Student Services Anatol Mazor and Admissions and Records Coordinator Dr. Merle Fish. Mazor noted, however, that since 20% more students than last year were keeping their appointments, actual enrollment may only fall slightly below that of past years.

As of last Monday, said Fish, enrollment had reached 23,463. This was well below the record high enrollment of 26,642, reached in the fall of 1981.

"We had that last fall," said Fish. "I don't think we'll have it this year. We're short 130 classes. That's 1300 students right there, which would take care of the difference."

Fish predicted that the final enrollment figure would probably be around 25,000 this semester. He said that applications were down to 15,544. That was 800 below last year's mark.

Registration closed early this semester. Applications were no longer being taken after 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, the second day of the new semester. This was due to a change in Los Angeles Community College District policy.

"The only thing that's different," said Fish, "is that we usually have taken applications through the first two weeks."

Also, a late fee was established for students enrolling on the last two days. They had to pay two dollars just to apply, without any guarantee of getting any classes.

Despite the usual long lines and registration workers complaining about being understaffed, Fish described enrollment as going "just like clockwork."

"It's worked beautifully," Fish said. "Since August 9th we've hit 1000 a day every day we were open. We've had 700 on Fridays, and then 1200 to 1300 weekdays; so it just averages out to a little over 1000 every single day."

Classes and jobs lost

State, District slash college budget

By MIKE BRAILER
Entertainment Editor

A double-barrelled budget cut off both state and Los Angeles Community College District funds has resulted in the deletion of 160 classes at Valley College and layoffs of a number of part-time instructors. District sources say 121 courses, 35 at Valley, were cut district-wide in compliance with a mandate from the state legislature and the state chancellor's office, which cost the district $2.1 million in 1982-83 apportionment funds.

In addition to the state cuts, LAVC Dean of Instruction Edwin Young said that district budget cuts would delete another 15,000 hours of instruction, or the equivalent of 125 three-unit classes, at Valley alone.

The American Federation of Teachers, still engaged in a battle since summer with the district over summer school budget cuts, has promised to fight the current cutbacks in both the district and the legislature. Virginia Mulrooney, AFT president and LAVC history professor, said that the union plans to lobby heavily in both houses of the state legislature for a two-thirds majority to restore the funds.

"We can expect the state cuts to adversly affect more than 7,000 students and some 91 instructional personnel (district wide)," said Dr. Leslie Koltai, LACCD chancellor, referring to the state mandate to drop a list of classes it termed "avocational, recreational, and personal development" in all state community colleges. The move is expected to trim $30 million from the state community college budget.

"It is important to understand," said Koltai, "that no value judgment has been made by the district regarding which courses are being deleted. Rather, we are merely complying with the state's criteria."

Valley college was the hardest hit by the cutbacks, losing 35 courses, mostly in physical education and real estate, with art, personal development, and recreation classes also affected. Pierce College was second with 33.

Young, said that Valley would lose seven full-time positions, but that, due to seniority, full-time teachers would "bump" part-time and night teachers. However, Mulrooney cautioned that full-time teachers who take leave might not be replaced.

Young stressed that while the AFT was very upset by the state cutbacks, the district did not favor them either. "This is between all of us and the state," he said. "We're not in favor of cutting classes." Nevertheless, AFT members picketed the district yesterday (see realated story) in protest of the cuts.

Meanwhile, arbitration is set to begin on an AFT-district dispute over budget cuts in the past summer school session. In an unfair labor practice charge filed against the district, the AFT claims that the district raised summer school class sizes in violation of teacher contracts.

Parking fee up; ASB funds drop

By MIKE BRAILER
Entertainment Editor

An unprecedented decision to impose a $10.00 per semester parking fee at many campuses in the Los Angeles Community College District, including Valley College, was announced by the District August 4, only five days before registration. This, plus the threat of more rigorous enforcement of campus parking regulations, has made this registration the most expensive ever for students, and has cost the Associated Student Body thousands of dollars in membership fees, according to ASB president Derek Swafford.

Prior to the decision, an ASB membership, which costs $9.50 for full-time students and $5.00 for part-time students, included campus parking. Now that ASB membership and parking are two separate charges, many more students are opting out of an ASB membership. Only 2,000 students have purchased one so far, according to Swafford, who estimated that 12,000 memberships would have usually been sold by this time. He also estimated that the ASB could lose more than $78,000 in revenue compared to previous years.

"This really hurt us," commented Swafford, adding that the ASB is conducting a "massive campaign" to increase membership during registration and will continue to do so during the year.

The decision, which began with a Board of Trustees action in July, is expected to raise $900,000 in revenue to offset the costs of parking lot maintenance, according to District sources. Seven of the ten LACCD campuses will be affected by the new fee. Dean of Administrative Services Mary Ann Breckell pointed out that the new district parking sticker will allow students to park on all campuses in the district.

In addition to the parking fees, the District will continue to collect 39 cents on every dollar from each parking citation issued on campus, said campus police chief Wally Gudzus. Breckell promised stronger enforcement of parking regulations, with all vehicles, including motorcycles being required to display a parking permit or be cited. Previously, said Gudzus, a permit was "quasi-mandatory," and Swafford commented that past enforcement was "lackadaisical."

Breckell said that only warnings for offenders would be issued during the first week of school, with actual citations beginnning the second week.

Swafford said that the drop in ASB funds brought on by the changes would have to be made up in other ways, adding that a committee has been formed with the sole responsibility of planning fundraising activities.

But he also warned that the ASB could look forward to some belt-tightening. Many field trips for ASB officers will be cancelled, he predicted, stating that the ASB would have to stay "closer to home."

Finally, Swafford announced a pending Inter Organizational Council resolution made last Tuesday, requiring all IOC member clubs to have 90% paid ASB membership or face cutbacks in ASB funds. Additionally, he suggested that departments with extracurricular activities funded by ASB, such as music, Crown magazine, and the library's evening and weekend hours, could be denied funds for having a low percentage of ASB members. Swafford said that most of the department chairmen he had talked to seemed willing to encourage their students to join ASB.

Under the California State Education Code, community colleges are authorized to levy parking fees, if the income is used only for parking-related costs. While the Code allows up to $40.00 per school year, the LACCD has announced it will only charge half that amount. This is the first time in LACCD history that a parking fee has been charged.

News Notes

ASB POSITIONS OPEN

Commissioner of Special Limitations and Commissioner of Chicano Ethnic Studies remain unfilled. Interested ASB members should inquire at the ASB offices, CC102.

STUDENT BODY SENATE MEETS

The Student Body Senate will hold its first meeting of the year on Thursday, Sept. 23; in the Conference Room, CC104 at noon. All campus clubs are required to send a representative to the Senate.

MAGAZINE SEEKS STAFF

Manuscript 28, the annual campus literary magazine, is looking for staff members. One unit of credit is available for interested people. The first meeting will take place in the English Office Conference Room, H121, on Thursday, Sept. 23 at ll a.m. All students are welcome. Manuscript 27 is available in both the English Office and the Book Store. It is free with a student ID.

2,000 affected by probation crackdown

By STACY JOHNSON
Assoc. News Editor

In the past few years at Los Angeles Valley College, probation has not been a topic widely discussed until a recent crackdown to enforce probation rules, which went into effect August 4.

An average of 2,000 students fail to maintain a 2.0 grade average, which is considered academic probation. Progress probation consists of 50 percent and over of W withdrawl, I incomplete, and NC no credit grades that are recorded in at least two semesters.

The effects of dismissal are district wide for any student trying to attend other schools for at least two semesters. After two semesters have passed the student must file a petition for reinstatement in order to be considered for readmission.

"The fact is the state is tired of paying for students who haven't completed their course load," said Pauline E. Merry, Assistant Dean of Student Services.

On August 4, 395 letters were sent to students subject to dismissal and 192 students petitioned for reinstatement. At the same time 2,000 letters were sent to students informing them that they are on academic or progress probation. 1,000 students returned to see counselors and the solution was limiting units.

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Receding tresses

Hair triggers trouble

By GREGORY POTTER
View Editor

Everywhere I look, people are hung up on cosmetics.

Aging ladies rescue sagging jowls with plastic surgery, or, at the very least, rub wrinkle cream vigorously into deepening crows feet.

Affluent gentlemen nip receeding tresses with hair transplants. Men on budgets cloak their baldness with ear-to-ear carpeting.

And just about everyone knows that half the population wearing Gowns by "Goochy" or 'JordArse" Jeans has had a nose job.

Me? I am above such superficiality.

Or so I thought.

While jogging alongside my friend of 20 years last month, I reached up to scratch the top of my head. A rush of panic followed. I was scratching skin, not hair.

Although I did not voice my discovery to my friend, he smiled knowlingly and said, "Oh, don't worry about it, Greg. Many distinguished figures are bald. Yul Brynner, Telly Savalas, our national bird..."

"Thanks a lot, you --!--!--!," I replied.

A week later, I was having my locks trimmed by a self-professed expert on hair loss.

He interrupted our amenities with the bombshell.

"Greg, I don't know if I should tell you this -"

"Why? What," I sat up, brows furrowed.

"You're getting awfully thin up here."

"Here? Where?"

Gently, he pointed out the "air me from behind.

"What?"

"It was only a matter of time, Potter."

"What? Tell me, damn it!"

"It's really beginning to go," he said, collecting himself. "In about five years, you'll look just like one of those sloping, granite monoliths in Yosemite!"

Oh, no, I thought, I'm doomed? Or is it domed?

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My dismay finally, ahem, topped off last weekend as I toured the grungy streets of Tijuana with another wisecracking friend. This one balding since age 21.

We were paused for a moment's reverie in front of a burlesque parlor when he began to cackle.

"I love it," he howled, looking at

For the next two hours, I cursed my bald father and my two would-be wives for causing me to pull out what little hair I had left. I had serious thoughts of finding a mate to love me while I could still sprout vegetation.

Worst of all, I imagined myself driven to spraying my head with matte black and flopping my remaining hair over the bald part.

I mean, really. What difference would it make if I became a complete skinhead at age 40, or kept a healthy shock of hair until death?

Vanity.

Organized?

September again!

ROBERT WEAVER
Assoc. Entert. Editor

Well, here it is, September again. I'm driving back to school.

When I think of how hectic it was at the end of last semester, I could just scream.

My briefcase was full of unread class notes, empty yogurt cups, and half-eaten sandwiches. My scantrons were tucked away neatly in their plastic bag, along with three ounces of grape jelly and an apricot pit.

It was the pits.

But now, I'm cool-headed and clear-eyed. I can face the oncoming semester.

My notebook is full of blank pages and I have a brand-new box of pencils...that have never been sharpened!

Ohmigosh! Class starts in 10 minutes and it's a 15 minute drive to school!

I push the accelerator to the floor. The speedometer passes 70. My car is barely touching the ground, when I see a flashing red light in my rear-view mirror. Of all the luck!

I start breathing again as the ambulance whizzes by me.

Six minutes left.

There's the parking lot. I hope I can find a space. Wait a minute! I forgot to get a parking sticker! I'll have to park on the street.

Water, water everywhere, and not a space to park. (I forgot that it rained last week.) There's a space in the middle of that puddle. It doesn't look too deep.

I park the car and step out. The water is up over my ankles. As I grab my notebook, the loose-leaf pages unloosen and drown themselves in the lake around my car.

Three minutes to go!

I'll run for it.

I'm running so fast that the track team will have scouts out looking for me. I rush into the building and slide right up to the door. Safe!

Why is the door locked? Where is everybody?

I check my calendar watch. It is Monday, September the 13th.

"It's the first day of school," I shout.

"Excuse me," says a voice from behind me, "but day classes don't start until tomorrow."

I went through all this for nothing!

Oh well, I'll see if the book store is open. At least I can get my books.

If I'm this organized at the beginning of the year, just imagine how I'll be next June.

Sun lotion and sandy hair

Goodbye summer

WENDY TABER
News Editor

We tossed the empty Fritos bag, the empty Oreo package, the empty M & M bag, and the empty six pack of Tab into the large yellow trash can. I began picking up the towels, chairs, and sun-tan lotion and Cheryl reached for her shoes. Wearily, we both started walking through the warm sand, which seemed to surround and temporarily trap each step we took toward the parking lot. Cheryl sighed.

"Well Wendy," she said with a tinge of anger, "this is the last time we'll be seeing this place for a while."

I casually glanced back at the little paradise that had enticed us to drive thirty miles once or twice a week during the last summer. It still looked and sounded as beautiful as it did when it was fresh to us in June. The sparkling, shimmering water roared ferociously as it was thrown against the grainy shore. Birds floated through the air. A cool, moist breeze blew through my sandy and dirty hair, reminding me that I had to wash it before school the next morning. Cheryl sighed again.

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"Just think," she said. "In 17 and one half hours instead of bronzing our bodies on the beach we will be trapped behind a cubicle desk listening to a maniac with chalk all over his pants."

"Oh, it isn't going to be that bad," I offered, fully realizing that it probably was. "Think about the positive aspects on going back to school. You'll be starting new classes and meeting new people. You'll have a great time."

But Cheryl wasn't listening to the hopeful alternatives. She was instead focusing on the lifeguard station, which was empty. The usual crowd circled around the small lodge had slowly dissipated over the last few days. But, the lifeguard still sat proudly on top of his castle overlooking his territory. It looked as though he, too, was sighing.

"And think about all the new clothes that you bought last month that you will finally get to wear," I suggested cheerfully.

"It just went too quickly," she replied. "Yesterday was June and today is September. It's just not fair." "Well, before you know it June will be here again."

"Somehow it just doesn't seem to work that way," she grunted.

I slowly scanned the resort until my eyes stopped and focused on a family that was packing their beach equipment. The father was running after a little boy, who was laughing and giggling at his father as he stumbled over the sand. The mother was angerly shouting at the both of them but somehow her words just blended in with the usual sea commotion. The child, fond of his haven, didn't want to leave either.

"Well, if we are going to go we better get going," Cheryl said as she picked up one of her shoes that had quietly dropped during our admiration of the paradise. "I guess that new outfit will be kind of fun to wear. I'm getting sick of it just hanging in my closet."

"That's the spirit," I shouted. "We'll have a terrific time back at school, trust me."

"You know, you're right. It's time to move on." Cheryl began walking bravely toward the parking lot.

I began following in her footsteps when I noticed a flock of seagulls gathering not to far from where we were walking. They seemed happy that all us beach fanatics were leaving and returning to them their precious home.

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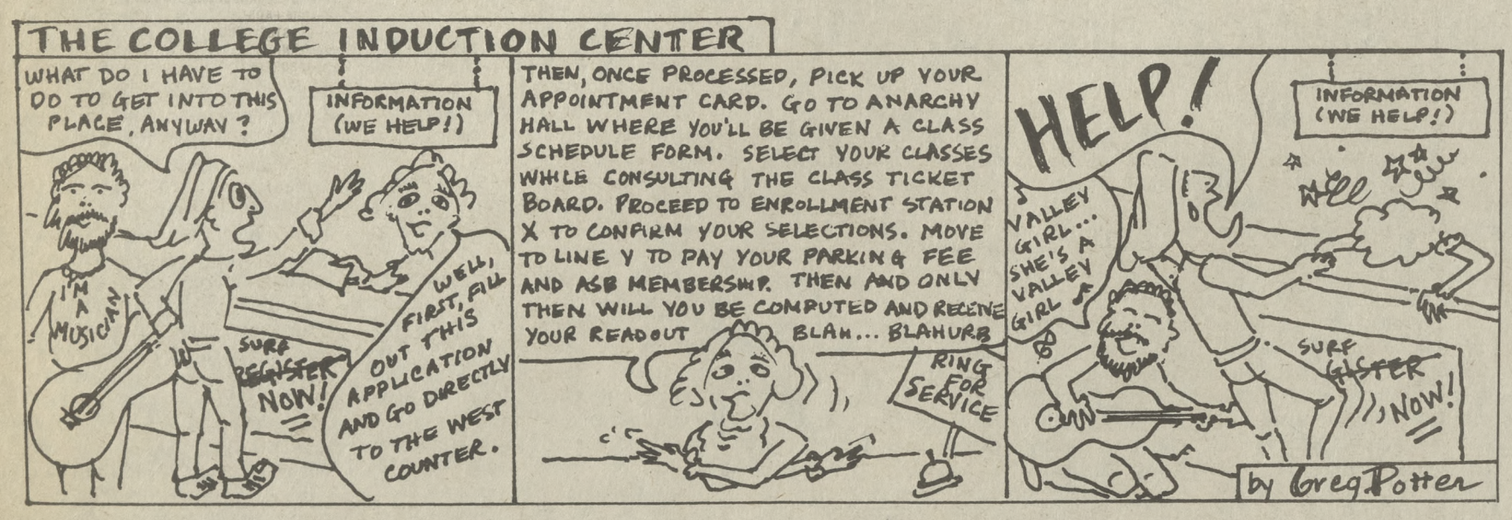
"Got everything Wendy,?" Cheryl asked, not really looking for an answer.

"Yeah," I said. I picked up the towels, chairs, radio, and sun-tan lotion and followed her to the car.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Monarchs football squad prepares for new season

By MARK BORGOGNONI
Staff Writer

The Los Angeles Valley College football team is gearing up for a new year in a new league with high hopes for turning their record around.

Youth and inexperience are two words head coach Chuck Ferrero has put much emphasis on. Entering last weeks scrimmage with Mt. San Antonio, the Monarchs roster was at 65 with only 15 players (a mere 23 percent) having already logged playing time at the college.

Here is how the Monarchs will look this season. The offensive line will be anchored by guard John Wallace, a Metro Conference honorable mention a year ago. Working with Wallace will be tackles James Lane (Poly) and Dale Sandrey (Eagle Rock), guard Pierre Howard (Granada Hills) and center Erick Gray (Crenshaw). Others who will open holes for Lion backs are tackle Dave Ellern (Canyon), Guard Jeff Allenstein (Birmingham), Sophomore guard Mark Schatt and center Armando Suarez (Hoover).

Catching Valley aerials will be wide receivers Eric Yarber (Crenshaw) and Kelly Johnson (Carlsbad). Veteran Donnell Alexander, slowed some by a hamstring pull, will also be catching passes. Tightends will be Eric Sparks (Rolling Hills) and Paul Robinson (Dorsey).

Valley will run a multiple split back offense, featuring Julius "Flash" Clayton (Shrine, Detroit) and Randy Hill (Reseda). Converted offensive back Andre Stockton and wide receiver Bubba Dean with James McMurray (Locke) will give the Lions the depth needed in the backfield.

At quarterback will be Metro honorable mention Kelvin Hodrick. Backed up by Joe Gaston (Aiken, Cincinnati) and Darryl Garibay (Franklin).

On the other side of the line the Monarchs will run an eight man-even defense. The interior line will be made up of ends D.D. Richardson, a veteran and Ricky Benjamin (Crenshaw) with Derrick Sawyer (Crenshaw) and Justin Huff (San Fernando). The tackles will be sophomore Ernest Mathis, Derreick Traylor(El Camino Real) and James Henderson (Chatsworth). Kevin Harden (Crenshaw) and Mike Price (Grant) should bounce back from early season knee injuries to see much action.

Four inside linebackers who will see plenty of playing time will be Jim Buffo (Hoover), Ken Anderson (Crenshaw), Jim Piser (Reseda) and J.T. Thomas (Birmingham). Converted tightend Sal Noriega, Dino Tounsel (Dorsey), Cory Balousek (Poly), Ron Smith (Birmingham) and Calvin Hicks (Chatsworth will all rotate at outside linebacker.

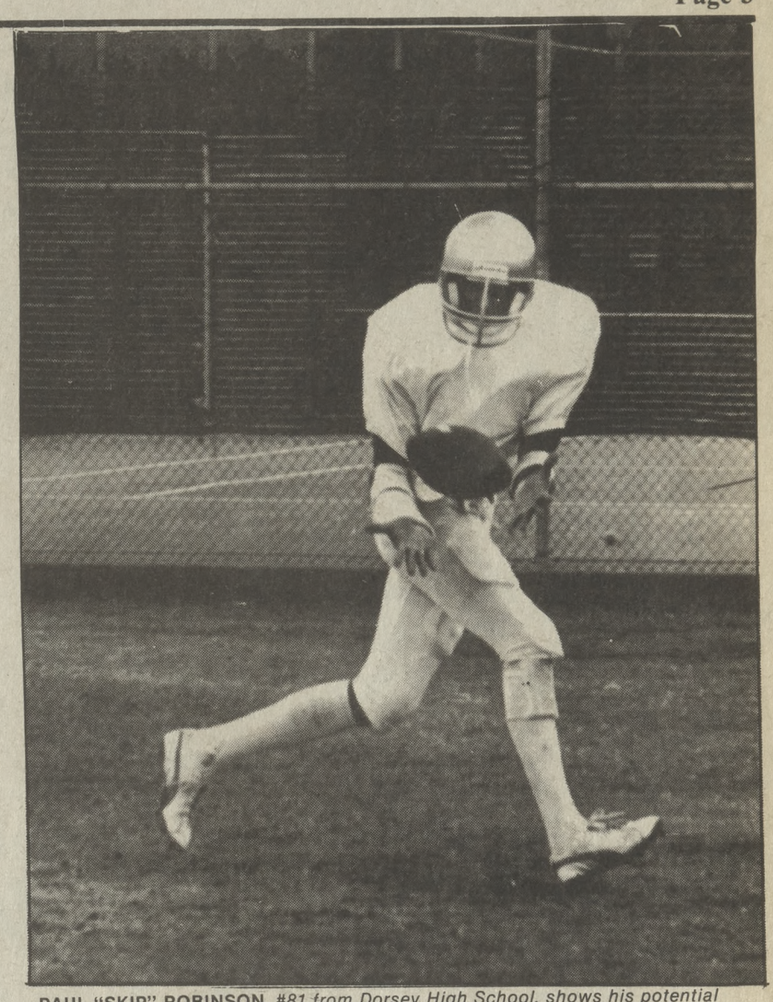
Returning at safetys will be Darren Andrews and John Tyler and at cornerback there is Clint Floyd. Edwin Climon (Dorsey) will be at the other corner. The Defensive will be spelled by Mike Brown (Aiken,Cincinnati) L.C. Echols (Birmingham), Mike Seward (Notre Dame) and Tony Wilson (Redford, Detroit). Steve Kazdin will handle the placekicking and punting duties while Sparks will kickoff.

When asked to comment on the new conference, Ferrero replied, "Given our financial situation it was almost impossible for Valley College to compete in the Metro Conference, we'll be a lot better off in the western states."

"Right now it's hard to say where we will finish, we play a very strong preseason schedule and Ventura, Santa Barbara, and Glendale will all be tough.

"We'll be much improved at quarterback and have a lot more depth in the backfield compared to last year. The offensive line is young and we lack experience in the middle of our defense, our kicking game and the defensive backfield will be much better. Overall we should be much improved."

The Monarchs will open their 1982 season this Saturday night hosting Arizona Western at Monarch Stadium. The Matadors are coming off a 9-0-1 season which saw them finish eighth in the national poll for JC football. Coached by Jim Sherman, they were ranked twelfth in this season preseason poll. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.



PAUL "SKIP" ROBINSON, *#81 from Dorsey High School, shows his potential as a new tight end for Valley.*

ROBERT BUTLER, Valley Star

Weekly Game Plan

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Football

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Upcoming Events

Cross Country - Men's and Women's

9/17	Moorpark Invitational at Moorpark (Women's)	T.B.A.
	and	
	Fresno Invitational at Fresno (Men's)	T.B.A.

Football

9/18	vs. Arizona Western at Valley	7:30 p.m.

Volleyball - Women's

9/17	vs. Cerritos at Cerritos	7 p.m.
9/20	vs. Ventura at Ventura	5 p.m.

Water Polo

9/17 - 9/18	Ventura Tournament at Ventura	All Day
9/23	vs. Grossmont at Valley	3 p.m.

District releaguing moves LAVC to Mountain Valley Conference

By DEBORAH HAAS
Editor-In-Chief

In a major releaguing action by the Los Angeles Community College District, Valley College's athletic department has been moved out of the Metropolitan Conference.

The new league, developed specifically because of this action, consists of Antelope Valley, Moorpark, College of the Canyons, Mission, West Los Angeles, L.A. Southwest, L.A. Trade-Tech, and Valley College.

According to George Goff, president of the new conference and men's athletic director at Valley, the move was prompted by an inadequate athletic budget and the inability of Valley's teams to perform to their fullest potential due to that budget.

Prior to the district wide releaguing, Valley had attempted to have the football team moved into another conference besides the Metropolitan. Reports from athletic personnel at Valley, however, stated that the district was unwilling to move only one sport out of a conference while allowing all the other sports at a school to remain.

"The irony of being placed in this new conference," said Goff, "is that out of the eight men's sports at Valley, Mountain Valley is only capable of hosting four."

Baseball, basketball, cross country, and track are in the Mountain Valley conference. However, Football is in the Western States conference, Water Polo is in the Inland Valley league, and the Metropolitan conference is still host to Volleyball and the swim team.

"Money is the culprit," stated Goff. "Because of the drop in the operating and coaching budgets, Valley only has one full time coach left."

Said Goff, "We're hanging on by our .... Well, I'll let you fill that in."

Muckey steps up

By JEFF DUNLAP
Assoc. Sports Editor

Scott Muckey, the newly appointed head baseball coach of the Valley Monarchs, says he is looking forward to defending last year's State Championship.

Muckey replaces Dave Snow, last year's head coach, who will be taking over an assistant coaching job at Cal State Fullerton this year. Muckey was Snow's third assistant last season.

As an All Conference player at L. A. City College and Pepperdine University, Muckey, 29, played four years of collegiate baseball. In his two years at L. A. City he led them to a second place state mark in his sophomore year. He had a combined batting average of .325 during the two year period. As a senior at Pepperdine, he hit .290 while leading the Waves to a Conference Championship. He was interested in pro ball, but when he wasn't drafted by a major league club, he pursued his master's degree in sports medicine.

A fellow Pepperdine baseball alumnus, Tim Gloyd, will be Muckey's only assistant this year. Gloyd was an All-American short stop at Pepperdine. Though Gloyd and Muckey both played for Pepperdine, they did not play on the same team. Muckey graduated in 1974 and Gloyd graduated in 1979. In Gloyd's senior year, he led the nation in stolen bases. He later signed with both the Dodgers and the Montreal Expos.

"I'll play the same style of ball as Snow did," said Muckey.

Summer basketball division champions

By JEFF FORTUNE
Sports Editor

Los Angeles Valley College captured it's own title in the summer basketball league held here at Valley. With an impressive 8-2 record Valley held off Ventura by two points to take the summer league championship.

Valley's newly appointed head coach, Bobby Castagna, said, "the summer league is basically for practice, giving the players a chance to get comfortable with one another." The summer league also gives incoming freshmen an opportunity to play and be seen by the coaches, as well as returning players a chance to prove their worth and polish their skills.

The summer league lasted from the beginning of June through the end of July. All games were played on Tuesday evenings here at Valley and included teams from West Los Angeles, Santa Monica, Ventura, Moorpark, Mission, and Valley.

Valley College was also in a summer league at Santa Monica City College in which they placed about fourth of ten teams. These games were all played in Santa Monica.

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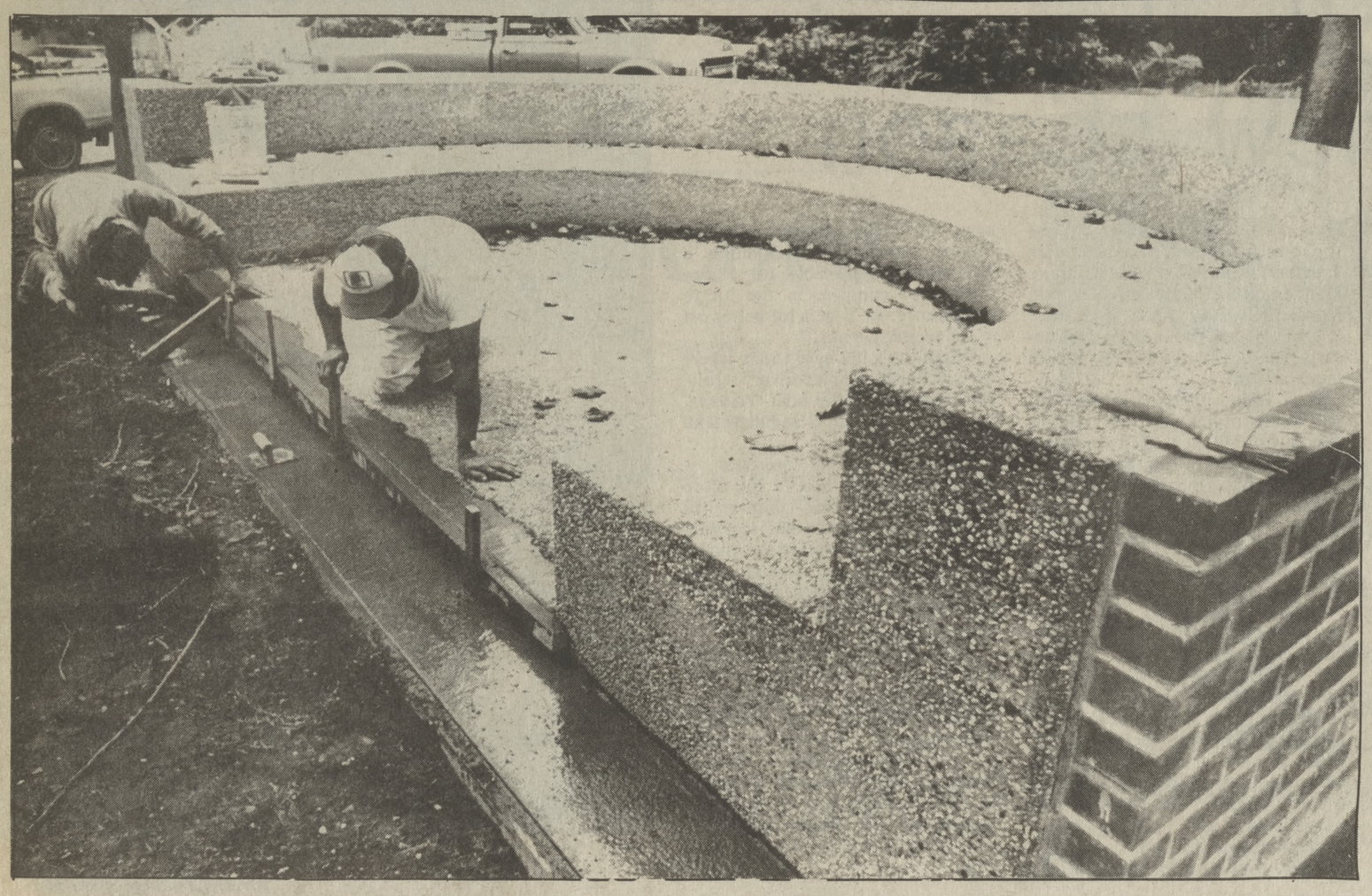

WHEN NOT IN ROME - *build your own forum. Private contractors lay mowing strip around campus conversation piece (above left). Leo Garapedian and Eddie Irwin of the Journalism Department hoist photo enlarger into one of 26 stations constructed by Plant Facilities craftsmen (above). Gene Blossom, gardener, trains Chorisia Speciosa, a Brazilian evergreen dedicated by retired speech professor James Buchanan (below left).*

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Old place, new face

By GREGORY POTTER
View Editor

Many of you have probably been too busy bustling around getting add and drop cards and reorienting yourselves to academia to notice that fresh coat of paint on the arcade and cafeteria satellite. Or the various new flora gracing the campus landscape. Or that your car is no longer in danger of rolling down a slanted parking lot H into Burbank Boulevard.

Hard to miss, though, is that open, semi-circular structure rising from the lawn in front of Campus Center.

During recent weeks of registration, people could be seen paused outside Monarch Hall scratching their heads and muttering, "What's *that*?"

More than 450 man hours of private contracted labor and roughly $7,200 of Associated Student Body funds went into construction of a "forum" intended for use in outdoor instruction, according to Mary Ann Breckell, Dean of Administrative Services.

The existing model is a scaled-down version of a mini-amphitheater initially proposed during the Fall '80 Semester by the student body council under Suheel Gareib. Although Roger Smith's cabinet deemed the estimated $11,000 amphitheater "too expensive" last semester, plans to build the forum were approved.

Designed by Dave Ogne, carpentry and general trade supervisor, the bi-level half-elipse stands three feet high, measures 20 feet across, and has a radius of 10 feet. It is made of brick and sandstone and was engineered "to be virtually maintenance-free," said Ogne. Maximum seating capacity is 30.

"This was a difficult, but fun project," Ogne noted. "We (physical plant craftsmen) thought it might be a white elephant, but it seems to be popular."

"The forum blends well with the architecture of Campus Center," remarked Dr. Mary Lee, LAVC president. Aside from its primary function as airy classroom, Dr. Lee views the forum as a "good meeting place."

The forum was but one of several undertakings last summer devoted to enhancing campus grounds and repairing facilities.

"I wish we had the money to accomplish more than we did," Dr. Lee continued, citing the need to "think, plan, and prioritize on a low budget."

Of top priority, she stressed, is rectifying any safety hazards - the most perilous of which was a streetward slope to parking lot H on the campus' south side.

At a cost of $3,200, a retaining wall was built to contain the material used to level off the lot, explained George Palovitch, building ground administrator.

For an aesthetic touch, camphor trees were planted in between the stumps of fallen elm which border the lot's entrance.

Upgrading instruction ranks a close second on the list of alterations and repair priorities, notes Dr. Lee.

The major departmental improvement was the expansion of the photo lab in BJ114.

"A group action by the journalism department was responsible for initiating needed renovations," said Leo Garapedian, photo adviser to the Valley Star.

"Students would get all charged up during lecture only to cram into the dark room and wait for open space and equipment," he elaborated, observing the "frustrating" impact this had on students.

To curb discouragement and the drop rate, an estimated $4,000 was spent to refurbish the dark room and make way for 26 enlarger stations and two loading rooms.

Garapedian so believed in the project that he relinquished his BJ114 office to accomodate developing equipment.

"An office is an office," he reasoned. "Someone had to make a move. Now we have a modern, first-class lab."

With all that most of you have gone through this first week back at school, you may have overlooked the new paint job, the baby trees, the salvaged parking lot, or the modernized photo lab. But don't feel stupid for not being able to identify "that round thing" in Monarch Square.

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